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University of Plovdiv Medical School

1. The Medical School of the University of Plovdiv was housed at 11 Tsar Ivan Asen Street, in the building which formerly housed the French College for Girls; most of the theoretical instruction was given in this building. The practical training was given in the University Hospital and in the Psychiatric Clinic. The Psychiatric Clinic, formerly known as the Cholakov Clinic, was located in a 2-story building on Graf Ignatiev Street.
2. Each department of the Medical School was well supplied with modern machines and instruments. Some of the microscopes and aerometers were of Bulgarian manufacture, but most of the equipment in the physics and chemistry departments was made in Czechoslovakia. In general, the Medical School of the University of Plovdiv had better scientific instruments than the University of Sofia. At the University of Sofia, more than 20 students worked on one cadaver; at the Plovdiv Medical School, one cadaver was provided for each six students. The University of Sofia, on the other hand, had a better faculty.
3. The Medical School had approximately 1,500 students and about 200 students were admitted yearly. Of the 200 new admissions each year, approximately 60 percent, from the Labor Preparatory Schools (Bab-Fak), were admitted without taking entrance examinations.
4. The course of study at the Medical School lasted five years. The students then had one year of internship at the hospital in Plovdiv, after which they were required to serve three years in the villages.

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5. The Director of the Medical School was Eliser Vanev

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6. The following were instructors at the School:

- a. Ivan Andreev, 48, from Plovdiv, assistant director and professor of pediatrics; received his training abroad, probably in Germany; 50X1-HUM
- b. Ivan Popov, 55, from Sofia, professor of chemistry; was anti-Communist 50X1-HUM
- c. Basiko Rashev, 54, from Kalofer professor of pathology;
- d. A certain Petkov, from Sofia, professor of pathological anatomy; received his training abroad;
- e. Roshigrad Yurkov from Sofia; taught courses on pharmacology and contagious diseases; studied for many years abroad, three years in the Rockefeller Institute and approximately four years in Germany and France; is an open anti-Communist, but has retained his position because of his extensive education; 50X1-HUM
- f. A certain Chakalov from Plovdiv, professor of neurology and psychiatry; 50X1-HUM
- g. Labri Labrev (sic; Lambri Lambrev?), professor of obstetrics and gynecology; was a member of the Communist Party; 50X1-HUM
- h. Yuri Veshev, instructor in surgery; recently replaced a certain Gharvenakov, who was transferred to Sofia 50X1-HUM
- i. Ivan Brancy, instructor in physics, is a member of the Communist Party;
- j. Ivan Miter, instructor in toponymical anatomy; received his training abroad;
- k. Khoreh Yordakov, instructor in osteology;
- l. Ivan Mikhaylov, instructor in actinology; was a member of the Communist Party;
- m. Ivan Khalachev, an instructor in the ophthalmological clinic; was a member of the Communist Party;
- n. A certain Pacharov, a dermatologist and venereal disease specialist; 50X1-HUM
- o. A certain Galabakov, instructor in pathophysiology;
- p. Vanko Kotchev, instructor in otorinolaryngology;
- q. on Shopa, instructor in tuberculosis;
- r. A certain [redacted] instructor in medical jurisprudence; and
- s. Kirin (Pamir) [redacted] instructor in philosophy and Communism courses; was formerly [redacted] and is a [redacted] Communist. 50X1-HUM

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7. A certain Zavelov (sic), [redacted] instructor of physiology, was discharged recently because of his anti-Communist convictions. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
8. A certain Iambrev, [redacted] a Catholic priest, was at one time an instructor in English at the School. In 1948, he, as well as other Catholic priests, received a prison sentence; he is in prison at present. 50X1-HUM
9. Zhenyu Rusev, [redacted] is the head of the Official's Department (Odel kadri) at the Medical School. The Official's Department has a personnel file giving all the facts collected concerning each student and teacher at the School. 50X1-HUM
10. A certain Igrachev was Rusev's assistant in the Official's Department.
11. A certain Angelov, [redacted] the Secretary of the Agricultural School, was head of the Secretariat (Kantselaria) of the Medical School. The Secretariat was purely administrative in nature. 50X1-HUM
12. The curriculum of the Medical School consisted of the following:
 - a. First Year:
 - (1) Communist Theory, one session each week;
 - (2) Anatomy, four hours of theory and six hours of laboratory work each week;
 - (3) Physics, four hours each week;
 - (4) Chemistry, four hours each week;
 - (5) Biology, four hours each week; and
 - (6) Foreign languages, two hours of Russian each week was compulsory and two hours of a Western language was optional.
 - b. Second Year:
 - (1) Anatomy, four hours each week;
 - (2) Biochemistry, four hours each week;
 - (3) Histology, four hours each week;
 - (4) Physiology, four hours each week;
 - (5) Pathology, six hours of theory and six hours of practice; in this course, the students were taught to diagnose various diseases and were introduced to patients and told the history of the patients' illnesses; and
 - (6) Military Training, including topography, map study, infantry and artillery tactics, and theoretical instruction concerning weapons.
 - c. Third Year:
 - (1) Pathological Clinic, six hours of theory and six hours of practice each week; students were taught to diagnose patients' illnesses;
 - (2) Surgery, six hours of theory and six hours of practice each week; students were taught to diagnose surgical ailments;
 - (3) Pathological Anatomy, autopsies were conducted on various internal organs;

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- (4) Pathological Physiology, two hours each week;
- (5) Toponymical Anatomy;
- (6) Microbiology, four hours each week;
- (7) Pharmacology, four hours each week; and
- (8) Orthopedics and treatment of wounds and injuries, two hours each week.

d. Fourth Year:

- (1) Psychology;
- (2) Therapy;
- (3) Contagious Diseases;
- (4) Medical Jurisprudence;
- (5) Obstetrical Gynecology;
- (6) Tuberculosis; and
- (7) Hygiene.

13. The obstetrics school in Plovdiv was housed in a 3-story building on Otets Paisi Street. The director of the school was the instructor in obstetrics at the University of Plovdiv Medical School.¹ The assistant director of the school was Doctor Michev. The school was established in 1948 and is attended by approximately 60 women each year. After two years of study, the women are sent to various hospitals and first aid stations in the country. The women students board at the school; they pay 2,000 leva per year. The obstetrics school is independent of the University of Plovdiv.
14. The University of Plovdiv had a school for nurses. The course of study lasted one year; approximately 100 women were admitted each year.

University of Plovdiv Hospital

15. The University of Plovdiv Hospital was located at the end of Gladstone Street, and consisted of approximately eight buildings. The hospital had the following wards:
- a. First Ward: Pathological ward for men, housed in a 3-story building approximately 80 meters long and 10 meters wide; had approximately 150 beds and approximately 10 doctors and 16 or 17 nurses; the ward had a laboratory for analyzing urine and blood;
 - b. Second Ward: Pathological ward for women, housed in the second floor of a 2-story building which had the same dimensions as the building housing the pathological ward for men; the ward had approximately 70 beds and 10 nurses; the ward was attended by the same doctors as the First Ward;
 - c. Third Ward: Dermatological and venereal disease ward, on the first floor of the building housing the pathological ward for women; had 70 beds, six doctors, 10 nurses, and a laboratory;
 - d. Fourth Ward: Gynecological and maternity ward, in one of the wings of a building approximately 80 x 80 meters in size; had approximately 200 beds, 15 doctors, 10 midwives and nurses, and two rooms for surgery;
 - e. Fifth Ward: Surgery ward, housed in a 3-story building approximately 80 x 15 meters in size; had approximately 200 beds, 15 doctors, 30 nurses, two

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surgery rooms and an X-ray machine; the pharmacy for the entire hospital was located on the first floor of the building;

- f. Sixth Ward: Tuberculosis ward, housed in a 3-story building 120 x 15 meters in size; had 250 beds, 10 doctors, and 10 nurses;
 - g. Seventh Ward: Actinological ward, housed in a 1-story building 40 x 6 meters in size; the ward had three actinologists and five or six assistant actinologists, an actinographic machine and an actinoscopic machine;
 - h. Eighth Ward: Ophthalmological ward, housed on the second floor of a 3-story building 35 x 9 meters in size; the ward had 30 beds, four doctors, six nurses, and a surgery room;
 - i. Ninth Ward: Contagious diseases, housed on the first floor of the building which housed the pathological ward for men; had 70 beds, six doctors, 14 nurses, and a laboratory; and
 - j. Tenth Ward: Otolaryngological ward, housed on the third floor of the building which housed the gynecological ward; the ward had 70 beds, six doctors, 14 nurses, and a laboratory.
16. The following buildings were also located on the hospital grounds:
- a. Pathological Anatomy Building: Two microbiological laboratories, three or four microscope rooms, and offices for teaching and administrative personnel;
 - b. Physiological Pathology Building: A research room and three lecture rooms with microscopes;
 - c. Lecture Building: 120 meters long and 20 meters wide, had one floor which was divided into two rooms; and
 - d. Nurses School Building: 3-story building 10 x 6 meters in size; the first floor was used for lectures and the two upper floors were used for bedrooms, etc. for the women being trained there.
17. The directors of the various wards of the hospital were also instructors at the University of Plovdiv Medical School.
18. The sanitarium of the hospital was located two kilometers outside of Plovdiv on the Plovdiv-Konispol road. It was housed in a T-shaped 3-story building which was 100 meters long. Each of the wings was about 50 meters long. At the sanitarium there were approximately 15 doctors, two of whom were surgeons. The sanitarium had two surgery rooms and two laboratories.

Military Hospitals in Plovdiv

19. There were two military hospitals in Plovdiv. One was located at the intersection of Otets Tsai and Patriarch Eftimi Streets. The building had three floors, and the ground floor was used as a store.

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20. The second military hospital was housed in the building formerly occupied by the Catholic Hospital on Khristo Botev Street. The building had three stories and an attic, 22 small wards, 220 beds, and two laboratories.

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